

REGION 1 PFAS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS (draft 5/30/18)

LOCATION: NH SEACOAST AREA

Purpose: Forum for EPA to hear directly from the public on how best to help states and communities impacted by PFAS.

Goal: Gather New England's input to EPA PFAS Management Plan

Monday, June 25th

5:00 – 6:15 - Poster session and mingle

6:15 – 6:30 - DO WE NEED A 5 – 10 MINUTE WELCOME/GOALS/FORMAT?

6:30 – 7:15 - Community presentations – 15 minutes each MA, NH, VT to be selected by Andrea/comm.

Alternative proposed by Andrea/community groups:

3 panels set up by source type: 1) DOD 2) industrial (e.g. ChemFab, Merrimack) 3) waste sites (e.g. Coakley). Andrea would take lead to designate speakers for each panel and divide time for 15 minutes/panel. May be one or more speaker/panel. This type of source-type panel was used at a conference last year and communities thought it worked well.

7:15 – 8:45 - Moderated open mike session – Town meeting style format, allotted time (3-5 minutes)/speaker. Moderator – Jim Murphy

8:45 – 9:30 - Mingle

Tuesday, June 26th 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

8:00 – 8:15 - Welcome/Introduction – Alex Dunn/Peter Grevatt

8:15 – 8:45 (?) - Overview/debrief of EPA's National Leadership PFAS Summit

8:45 – 9:30 - Community Speaker – To be selected by Andrea/community groups

Alternative proposal:

Consider a Portsmouth Community Case Study. This could include presentation by Brian Goetz, Deputy Director of Portsmouth Public Works (who has reached out to be involved) and Andrea Amica. This would give the community angle from the citizens and local government perspective. By all accounts Brian has a good story to tell and has experienced impacts from detection to treatment, including communication issues.

9:30 – 9:45 – BREAK

9:45 – 10:15 – EPA Region 1 Efforts – Meghan Cassidy

10:15 – 11:45 – Moderated State Panel – Moderator Meghan Cassidy

- 10 – 15 minutes/state to provide overview of strategy, issues, approach
- Need to consider that in CT, RI, ME drinking water programs in health agencies (vs. environmental) so may need more time for those states.

- Do we want to provide questions for states to answer in effort to hear similar information from states?

12:00 – 1:00 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 – 1:30 – Identifying PFAS in Your Community – State/Community Member (NH?)

1:30 – 2:00 – Communicating Around PFAS – State/Community Member (VT?)

Above two presentations might include brief (10 minute) talk by state/community members related to the topic, followed by some discussion/input from audience.

2:00 – 3:00 Identifying Solutions for PFAS – Input for EPA on PFAS Management Plan - Open Mike (?), designated amount of time/speaker.

Recommendation from Andrea select a few topic areas of specific questions and go through sequentially to make best use of time. Could leave 5 – 10 minutes for “other” or misc. topics.

3:00 Conclude